

What's New at the Alternative Fuels Data Center OCTOBER 2001

Listed below are new publications and other information made available in October through the U.S. Department of Energy's Alternative Fuels Data Center (AFDC), managed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. For more information, with questions, or to subscribe to this monthly update, contact Wendy Dafoe at wendy_dafoe@nrel.gov, or call 303-275-4470.

Published by Natural Gas Vehicle Coalition, the **2002 Natural Gas Vehicle Purchasing Guide** is available on the Web at http://www.afdc.doe.gov/pdfs/ngv_guide02.pdf. Call NGVC for a hard copy 202-824-7360. **

A summary of Tiger Teams activities is on the Web at http://www.ccities.doe.gov/tiger_projects.html. **

The San Joaquin Valley Coalition has a terrific new Web page at <http://www.valleycleancities.org>.

Al Ebron distributed some general information via e-mail about National Alternative Fuel Vehicle Day Odyssey scheduled for April 11, 2002. See the Odyssey Web site at <http://www.nationalafvodyyssey.org> for details. We've also added a link to that Web site from the Clean Cities home page.

UPS CNG Truck Fleet Final Data Report. This is the detailed data from this study. Available from the Hotline.

On-Road Development of John Deere 6081 Natural Gas Engine. NREL teamed with John Deere via competitive solicitation to develop a heavy-duty natural gas engine. John Deere has released the engine for full commercial production. The study used refuse haulers. See the 54-page report on the Web at <http://www.afdc.doe.gov/pdfs/deere6081.pdf>

Biofuels for Your State, Helping the Economy and the Environment, produced by NREL and DOE. A great four-page document about the basics of ethanol and biodiesel. See it on the Web at http://www.afdc.doe.gov/pdfs/Bio_Econ_Env.pdf; also available in hard copy from the Hotline. **

We added a useful OTT Web page to the AFDC database. **Natural Gas School Buses Driving Our Kids to a Cleaner Tomorrow can be found at** http://www.afdc.doe.gov/pdfs/natural_gas_school_buses_mar_2001.pdf. General information about CNG school buses; prints nicely on one page. **

From the State and Alternative Fuel Provider (S&FP) Program, a six-page newsletter titled **Annual AFV Reporting Guidance for State and Fuel Provider Fleets**; on the Web at http://www.afdc.doe.gov/pdfs/Ann_AFV_Reporting.pdf.

Also from the S&FP Program, a one-page fact sheet: **Commercially Available Hybrid Electric, Low-Speed Vehicles Not Eligible for EPAct Credit**; on the Web at http://www.afdc.doe.gov/pdfs/HEV_EPAct_Credit.pdf.



Ralph's Grocery EC-Diesel Truck Fleet Start-up Experience; on the Web at http://www.afdc.doe.gov/pdfs/Ralphs_ECD.pdf Ralph's Grocery is headquartered in Compton, California. This report is part of the DOE/NREL Truck Evaluation Project and it assesses the performance and emissions of retrofitted trucks fueled with a new ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel called ECD™. Currently, ECD is available in California and Washington state. Other similar "ultra-low sulfur diesel" fuels may be available in other regions of the country so check your local fuel distributor. **

The Defense Energy Support Center recently awarded **World Energy** a long-term contract for biodiesel—a first for the Defense Energy Support Center. For more details see What's New at http://www.ccities.doe.gov/whats_new.shtml; or visit World Energy's Web site <http://www.worldenergy.net>.

What's New also has a story about a propane truck being delivered to President Bush's ranch in Texas. The paragraph on What's New links to details on the PERC Web site at <http://www.propanecouncil.org>.

